

REMARKS

Claims 23-39 are pending in this application. Claims 27-39 are added by this preliminary amendment. Applicants respectfully request that this preliminary amendment be entered prior to examination of Application No. 09/580,560.

As a convenience to the examiner, a copy of the specification, drawings and claims is attached to this amendment to present a clean copy of the continuation-in-part application after inclusion of matter in this amendment.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request consideration and allowance of claims 23-39.

A continuation-in-part application fee in the amount of \$740.00 is believed due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 501086.

If there are matters which can be discussed by telephone to further the prosecution of this application, applicants invite the examiner to call the undersigned attorney/agent at the examiner's convenience.

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